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Present: Belgium (Luxembourg), Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States.

References: COCOM 3416.31/1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Revised.

1. The CHAIRMAN drew the attention of the Committee to the United States Memorandum (COCOM 3416.31/5 Revised) concerning cold rolled grain oriented silicon electrical steel (IL-1631). He invited Delegates to give the views of their authorities.

2. The FRENCH Delegate said that, with certain reservations, his authorities agreed in principle with the United States Memorandum. It seemed unnecessary to modify sub-items (a) and (e) of Item 1631 and it was felt that amendment of sub-item 1631(a) alone would give a satisfactory result. Sub-item (a) dealt with types of magnetic metals which were not grain oriented. This separation had been made for very good reasons and sub-item (a) should be maintained separate from sub-item (e). The Delegate suggested that it would be sufficient to add the following wording to sub-item (e):

"... and of a thickness equal to or less than 0.15 mm. for grain oriented strip and sheet."

The Delegate commented that he could accept any other figure provided that it was less than 0.3 mm.. He went on to say that he hoped the United States authorities would be able to respond to this suggestion for it represented a great effort of compromise. The French proposal used the same terms as the United States Memorandum and he felt that agreement was very near. His authorities saw no reason for waiting until October to continue the revision of this item because the oriented grain technique had been well known for ten years and it was unlikely that it would undergo any important evolution during the next three months.

3. The BELGIAN Delegate stated that he could accept the original French proposal for the redefinition of sub-item 1631(e) as amended by the United Kingdom and he also accepted the latest French proposal ad referendum.

4. The UNITED STATES Delegate said that he welcomed the constructive approach made by the French Delegation and undertook to refer their proposal back to his authorities.

5. The COMMITTEE agreed to continue the discussion on June 12th.

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